Opportunity to Object to the draft decision regarding the Locust Gap Project

The Pleasant Hill Ranger District of the Ozark-St. Francis National Forest has prepared an environmental assessment, draft Decision Notice, and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Locust Gap Project. The proposed project is subject to the pre-decisional objection process pursuant to 36 CFR 218 Subparts A and B.

The EA and draft DN/FONSI are available on-line at: http://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/osfnf/landmanagement/planning/?cid=stelprdb5212216

Once you have reached this site, scroll down to the bottom of the page and the Final EA/Draft DN will be located under the project name "Locust Gap".

These documents along with any additional information are also available for review at the Pleasant Hill Ranger District, 2591 Hwy 21 North, Clarksville, AR. 72830.

How to Object and Timeframe

The opportunity to object ends 45 days following the date of publication of the legal notice in the Johnson County Graphic. The publication date of the legal notice in the *Graphic* is the exclusive means for calculating the time to file an objection, and that those wishing to object should not rely upon dates or timeframe information provided by any other source.

Objections will be accepted only from those who have previously submitted specific written comments regarding the proposed project during scoping or other designated opportunity for public comment. Issues raised in objections must be based on previously submitted timely, specific written comments regarding the proposed project unless based on new information arising after designated comment opportunities §218.8(c).

The objection must contain the minimum content requirements specified in §218.8(d) and incorporation of documents by reference is permitted only as provided in §218.8(b). It is the objector's responsibility to ensure timely filing of a written objection with the reviewing officer. All objections are available for public inspection during and after the objection process.

Written objections, including attachments, must be filed with: Reggie Blackwell, Forest Supervisor, 605 West Main Street, Russellville, AR. 72801. The office business hours for those submitting hand-delivered objections are: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday through Friday, excluding holidays. Electronic objections must be submitted in a format such as an email message, plain text (.txt), rich text format (.rtf), or Word (.doc, .docx) to ozarkobjection@fs.fed.us.

Please state "Locust Gap Project" in the subject line when providing electronic objections, or on the envelope when replying by mail.